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SUBJECT: CALL ON FONMIN OHIRA JUNE 28 - NEW ATLANTIC CHARTER

1. I CALLED ON FONMIN OHIRA JUNE 28 TO REVIEW
IMPRESSIONS GAINED DURING MY RECENT CONSULTATIONS IN
WASHINGTON, BEGINNING WITH SUBJECT UPPERMOST IN MIND, I.E.,
NEW ATLANTIC CHARTER CONCEPT OUTLINED BY DR. KISSINGER.
EXPLAINING OUR STRONG BELIEF IN NEED FOR ADVANCED NATIONS
TO SET FORTH IN CHARTER FORM A NEW SET OF AGREED PRINCIPLES
TO STRUCTURE OUR OVERALL RELATIONS, I STRESSED THAT THIS
CONCEPT WOULD REMAIN PRINCIPAL TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION BEFORE
US, REGARDLESS OF NAME, BE IT ATLANTIC, PACIFIC OR WORLD
CHARTER.

2. WITH RESPECT TO OUR HOPE TO HOLD DEPUTY VICE MINISTER
CONFERENCE IN JULY TO BEGIN EXPLORATION OF CONCEPT,
I NOTED IN ALL CANDOR THAT FRENCH HAVE DECLINED TO parti-
cipate up to now. However, I ALSO NOTED PRESENCE OF
JOBERT IN WASHINGTON THIS DATE AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT FRENCH
WOULD PROVE RESPONSIVE TO FURTHER PREPARATORY DISCUSSION,
WHICH WOULD IMPROVE PROSPECTS FOR REJUVENATING DEPUTY VICE
MINISTER CONFERENCE.

3. EVEN THOUGH FRENCH ARE RELUCTANT TO GO ALONG AT
PRESENT, I REITERATED OUR STRONG BELIEF IN NEED TO EXCHANGE
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VIEWS WITH GOJ AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS, JOINTLY OR SEPARATELY,

ON PRINCIPLES TO BE EMBODIED IN CHARTER.

4. TURNING TO STATEMENTS BY JAPANESE SIDE AT RECENT PLANNING TALKS HELD IN KYOTO, THAT OHIRA WORKING OUT CONCEPTUAL RESPONSE TO CALL FOR NEW CHARTER, I EXPRESSED HOPE THAT HE WOULD CONTINUE TO PURSUE SUBJECT WITH A VIEW TO DISCUSSING CONCEPT WITH SECRETARY ROGERS DURING ECONCOM COUNTERPART MEETINGS.

5. OHIRA REPLIED THAT HE HOPED TO DO SO, NOTING THAT COUNTERPART DISCUSSION WITH SECRETARY ROGERS WOULD BE ONE APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY, BUT THAT HE ALSO HOPED TO HAVE OTHER APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITIES AS WELL. IN ADDITION, OHIRA SAID THAT GOJ ALSO INTENDS TO STUDY THIS SUBJECT TOGETHER WITH USG AT WHATEVER LEVEL IN OTHER FORUMS.

6. IN EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THIS POSITIVE RESPONSE, I ASSURED HIM THAT HE WOULD DOUBTLESS HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT FURTHER AT SUMMIT.

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